THE MILWAUKEE RADIO AMATEURS' CLUB W9RH

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Dear Members:

"The April winds are magical
And thrill our tuneful frames
The garden walks are passional
To bachelors and dames".
Emerson

Without further ado, we will pass right on to the news at hand.

S/Sgt. Oliver E. Zander, W9DIJ, is back in our midst after nearly two years of army life. Ollie received an honorable discharge based on a GDD, section 2.

Cpl. Frank J. Detzek was home on a furlough and attended a club meeting.

George Wood, W9DII, surprised us all by attending a meeting.

E. J. Irving, W9GQO, was a visitor at our April 13th meeting and related his experiences as a civilian Signal Corps instructor at Lexington, Kentucky, in 1941. He also gave a talk about his present job with Raytheon, which he has had for the past 18 months. He is in charge of the department that gives the final shake-down tests to transmitting tubes.

Wendell Ciganek, W9SYT, was also a visitor April 13th and gave us a talk about his job with R.C.A. His work takes him to various Navy Yards, where he takes care of installation and repair of underwater sound apparatus, supersonics and firing control equipment.

A nice letter was received from K. B. Warner, Managing Secretary of the A.R.R.L., commending and congratulating us on our Bulletin.

A communication was received from N. Warren Clark, Secretary of the Chicago Area Radio Club Council, regarding a mass meeting which is to be held at Chicago, Saturday, May 13, 1944.

A discussion was held at a club meeting regarding the best method of handling changes of address for QST, of our boys in the armed forces. Two plans were decided upon; one being for each man to write directly to ARRL and notify them of any change in address; the other being to have QST sent to their home and have their folks forward it to them. Please do not confuse this with the notification you should send us for the Bulletin.

A gentle reminder to civilian club members away from Milwaukee - Are your $1.00 per annum club dues paid? Club members in the armed services are exempt for the duration.

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The Sunday and Wednesday WERS tests have the following boys active: Herb Wareing, W9NY; Norm Barnes, W9CDK; Emil Felber, W9EHK; John Scarvaci, W9CIL; Charles Meyer, W9CVL; Bruno Plitzko, W9ZAD; Ralph Koenig, W9RUF; Ollie Zander, W9DIJ; Tony Barszcz, W9HPZ; Bill Kittson, W9RSA; Erv Krejs, W9HNH; Herb Baker, W9GSP; Walter Stromberg, W9DC; Jack Doyle, W9GPI; Herb Parish, W9CCD; Les Kolle, ex W9CZX; and Ken Le Gros.

A resume' of the tests find units #3 and #8 with 100% QSO's, as also units #1, 5 & 7. Units #5 & 7 have heard units #3 & 8. Unit #1 has heard #3. Unit #2 has heard #6 & 8. Unit #3 has heard #1, 5 & 7. Unit #10 has heard #5 & 7. Portable mobile unit #13 has worked #1, 3, 5, & 8, and has been heard by #7. All units with the exception of #3 are in temporary locations very close to their permanent ones. The next few weeks will see them permanently located. As is the way of all radio equipment, "bugs" have developed, mainly in the receivers and antennas. The former has been discovered and is being rectified. In the latter, a different condition develops for each location and must be treated accordingly.

The Boys are surely helping along fine by keeping us informed of their whereabouts. Splendid letters and cards have been received, receipt recorded and read, from:

Pvt. John C. Holmes, who has been transferred to Illinois.

Edgar J. Smith, ARM 3/C, who was teaching but now is doing radio maintenance work down in Tennessee.

Robert O. Mayer, was at Madison but now is with Northwest Airlines at Chicago, as radio operator.

Ray P. Charney, Sea 1/C, wrote to W9RH.

Lt. Elmer A. Heib, W9RRT, wrote to Doc Rosenbaum, ex W9GHN, from overseas.

Pvt. Robert Kuesel, wrote to Harold Strothmann, W9NHG.

Wally Wallace, W9EYM, is located at Indianapolis and was finally located through Elmer Ash, W9ESE.

Comdr. J. F. Wyman, (MC) USNR, W9SZH, dropped us a line. Doc is located at a Naval Air Station in our vicinity and is combining the pursuit of his medical profession with aviation, besides having two-way radio on his ambulances. He promised to drop in on us some Thursday night.

Warrant Officer Theo. C. Kircher, USN, ex W9HWY, sent a nice letter and card to W9RH from overseas.

Pfc. John Deisinger wrote from Florida.

Sgt. Bernard Kellner also wrote from Florida.

Pfc. Gilbert Rink wrote from the East.

Pvt. Paul J. Fippin wrote from Texas. He is in a Railway Operational Battalion and gets the regular RR YL Ops. (man power shortage) confused when he unconciously swings from Morse to Continental.

Pvt. John F. Rashinsky is still in South Dakota.

Pfc. Carl H. Schuppel wrote from Colorado and sent three more issues of the "Timberwolf", which were enjoyed by the Gang.

1st Lt. Sid Rose, Air Transport Command, W9VKC, wrote from India this time. His V-mail letter came 13,000 miles in 14 days. Sid informs us that a baby YL opr. arrived at his house, March 8th. Congratulations OM.

Lt. Armand Carian dropped us a line from Virginia.

Leroy P. Spanheimer, ART 1/C, wrote from Florida.

Sgt. James Fischer sent a V-mail letter from overseas.

Cpl. Frank J. Detzek wrote from Kentucky.

Capt. Wesley Correll, USA, W9FY, wrote a V-mail letter from the S.W. Pacific, to W9RM, that was underway only 13 days.

Capt. Reid H. Burrows, USMCR, W9JWT, also wrote to W9RM.

Sgt. James E. Callaway wrote to Wendell Ciganek, W9SXF, from down under. He is in the Overseas Motion Picture Service.

The Boys all commented favorably on the Bulletin and have asked for addresses of their friends. So don't be bashful "fellers". If there is anything we can do for you, just drop us a line. If not, drop us a line anyway.

Charles Meyer, W9GVL, heard of a young wife who sadly said to her husband, "You never used to snore before we were married."

So in the meantime, Boys, take good care of yourselves, and you will be hearing from us next month.

73,

The Gang.

P.S. - Don't forget to notify us of a change in your address.

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